MEMORANDUM COUNTY OF LOUDOUN

DATE: June 27, 2018

TO: Department and Agency Heads

FROM: Tim Hemstreet, County Administrator

SUBJECT: Action Report of the June 25, 2018, Board of Supervisors 2018 Transit Summit

Please work with staff to address the Board of Supervisors (Board) action as noted in the Action Report from the June 25, 2018, Board 2018 Transit Summit.

Link to webcast of meeting: Board of Supervisors 2018 Transit Summit

I-1 Advisory Boards Comments (Countywide)

The Board heard comments from representatives of the Commission on Aging, Disability Services Board, and the Transit Advisory Board regarding the Transit concerns and needs within Loudoun County.

Item #I-1, Advisory Boards Comments

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I-2 <u>Bus Stop Inventory and Americans with Disabilities Act Bus Compliance Transition Plan</u> (Countywide)

Sarah Kleckner, Transportation and Capital Infrastructure, reported to the Board the results and recommendations of the Bus Stop Inventory and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliance Transition Plan. In April 2017, Loudoun County contracted with Rummel, Klepper & Kahl (RKK) to work with staff to create Loudoun County's ADA Compliance Transition Plan. Loudoun County currently has 339 bus stops: 303 local bus stops and 36 commuter bus stops. Pursuant to the ADA, the County is to make every effort to ensure that its facilities, programs, services, and activities are accessible to those with disabilities. He informed the Board that the estimate of cost to bring the existing 339 bus stops into ADA compliance is approximately \$2.8 million.

<u>Item #I-2, Bus Stop Inventory and Americans with Disabilities Act Bus Compliance Transition Plan</u>

Chairman Randall moved that the Board of Supervisors direct staff to bring forward the funding request for Americans with Disabilities Act Bus Compliance Transition Plan as part of the fund balance process. (Seconded by Vice Chairman Buona. The motion passed 9-0.)

Board Request:

Supervisor Volpe asked staff to provide a list of bus stops on private property including who owns the property.

Chairman Randall asked to have the County Attorney advise the Board on the County's liability should a rider be injured at a non ADA compliant bus stop.

Vice Chairman Buona requested that staff consider the concentrated areas where ADA services are needed as a top priority qualifier for the order in which bus stops are brought up to ADA compliancy.

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I-3 Dulles North Transit Center Parking Alternatives for Metrorail Riders (Broad Run)

Joe Kroboth, Transportation and Capital Infrastructure, briefed the Board on a study completed regarding the Dulles North Transit Center (DNTC, or Center) that evaluated alternatives to either preclude or discourage future Metrorail riders from parking at the Center at no cost and accessing Metrorail. He laid out six (6) alternative options for the Board's consideration.

Item #I-3, Dulles North Transit Center Parking Alternatives for Metrorail Riders

Supervisor Meyer moved that the Board of Supervisors direct staff to pursue Alternative 6 as a first priority for the Dulles North Transit Center Parking with the second priority as Alternative 3. (Seconded by Vice Chairman Buona. The motion passed 8-0-1: Supervisor Umstattd absent for the vote.)

Board Request:

Supervisor Buffington asked that staff determine if Alternative 6 would discourage ridership from the Dulles North Transit Center Parking.

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I-4 <u>Process for Soliciting, Receiving, and Evaluating Stakeholder Requests for Transit Services (Countywide)</u>

Scott Gross, Transportation and Capital Infrastructure, outlined for the Board the Public Process used by Loudoun County for soliciting, receiving, and evaluating transit route and stop requests from county stakeholders for inclusion in the annual budget.

<u>Item #I-4, Process for Soliciting, Receiving, and Evaluating Stakeholder Requests for Transit Services</u>

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I-5 <u>Transit Services Overview, Pre and Post Metrorail Revenue Service in Loudoun County</u> (Countywide)

Scott Gross, Transportation and Capital Infrastructure, presented an overview of current transit operations and the plans for the transition of specific transit services when Metrorail revenue service begins in Loudoun County. He noted that various bus routes would change and new routes would be created.

<u>Item #I-5, Transit Services Overview, Pre and Post Metrorail Revenue Service in Loudoun County</u>

Supervisor Meyer moved that the Board of Supervisors direct staff to bring an item to the July 19, 2018, Board of Supervisors Business Meeting that evaluates the budgetary impact of leaving the premium commuter bus fair at \$9.00 for FY 2019. (Seconded by Supervisor Buffington. The motion FAILED 2-5-2: Supervisors Buona, Higgins, Letourneau, Randall, and Saines opposed; Supervisors Umstattd and Volpe absent for the vote.)

Supervisor Buffington moved that the Board of Supervisors direct staff to return to the October 18, 2018, Board of Supervisors Business Meeting with options to implement Wifi service on the long haul system. (Seconded by Supervisor Higgins.)

Supervisor Buffington accepted Supervisors Saines' Friendly Amendment that the item first go to the October 9, 2018, Finance/Government Operations and Economic Development Committee meeting. (The motion, as amended, passed 7-0-2: Supervisors Umstattd and Volpe absent for the vote.)

Board Request:

Supervisor Higgins requested that staff look into a route starting in Leesburg and heading north via Route 15 to take riders to the Marc Train at Point of Rocks.

Supervisor Letourneau asked that staff include a possible fee for a service model for the Wifi services on the long haul buses.

Supervisors Saines and Letourneau requested that staff bring forward a funding request to the Finance/Government Operations and Economic Development Committee for the purchase of 34 Body on Chassis buses to be used to operate the Local Fixed Route service when Metrorail service begins in Loudoun County in FY 2020. Additionally, staff was requested to review all of the enhanced and local corridors discussed during the summit and to present a breakdown of additional buses that would be needed to operate routes on those corridors.

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